

Silver Gate Newsletter



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CALENDAR

AUGUST 2007

- 2 District BBQ/Auction
- 4 Cub Olympics (Napa College)
- 16 Commissioners Meeting UMC

SEPTEMBER 2007

- 6 District Comm. Meeting UMC 6:00
- 6 Roundtable 7:30-9:00, UMC
- 15 Coastal Cleanup 8:30-1:00
- 20 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 20 Fire Up for Scouting
- 29 Scout-O-Rama (TBA)

UMC is the First United Methodist Church and is located at the corner of Sonoma Blvd. and Virginia St. in Vallejo.

Roundtable News

Silver Gate District Roundtable

Annual BBQ and Auction - Come join some *FUN* Scouters on Thursday **August 2nd** (6:30 to 8:30) at our monthly meeting of Cub and Boy Scout Leaders from all over the district at a special location this month. We will be having our picnic at Paul Robert's home – "Camp Minahan". The address is 240 Fleming in Vallejo. Directions – From HWY 80 take Redwood West exit, turn left at Tuolumne (Sir Speedy/Shell), go down to next stoplight (Fleming), turn left, go thru 2 stop signs, house is on the left. From Sonoma turn onto Redwood and at Tuolumne turn right. Follow same directions as above. **Get ready to eat!!** **BBQ and drinks** will be provided and your only admission is to bring a favorite side dish! Also get ready for the **Auction!** We have a slight twist to this fun event this year! We've been handing out Silver Gate Bucks throughout the

year. Small bucks for joining us at Roundtable each month and Big bucks for taking on those special projects and events in the district. There will still be time to earn a few more before the auction starts!! So don't forget to bring your bucks with you and bid on a stupendous selection of all the things you need to inspire, motivate, and put the fun in all you do for scouting! PS: If you have an item you would like to donate to the auction, please contact Michelle at 645-0231 or at appletreedesigns@juno.com or bring it to the auction.

Farewell

It is with great sadness that we say "hasta la vista" to our district chairman, Dave Thackrey. He had a job transfer to Texas and had to resign as our chairman. His work is greatly appreciated and we will miss him. We wish him the best.

Memorial Day Flags

The Veterans of Foreign War publicly thanked the various Scout units who helped put out and pick up the flags at Sunrise Cemetery last Memorial Day in a recent article in the *Vallejo Times Herald*. It is great to see Scouts and Scouting portrayed in a positive light.

Day Camp

The pirates have left town, but while they were here they left an indelible impression on the Cub Scouts who were at Day Camp. They assisted with many great activities while they were there and a great time was had. Many thanks go to Diane Freeman (Camp Director), Claude Smith (Program Director) and all the Scouts and Scouters who donated their time and energy to make this event happen. Planning for events like this and Camporee start a year in advance, so

please thank any of the staff you meet for their commitment to making great events happen for your Scouts.

Webelos Overnighter

Our appreciation goes to Eric Freeman for spearheading the annual Webelos overnighter following Day Camp, and to his staff who helped put on this event. A special thanks to the Vallejo Elks Lodge #559 for providing, once again, the facilities.

Unsung Heroes

From time to time we stop to recognize "background volunteers". Without these folks, many of our events simply wouldn't happen. However, because they tend to be in the background and our space to recognize our volunteers is limited, we often don't get a chance to publicly recognize them. Michelle Marin is one of these fine folks. She has been our medical person at several events in the past years. Randy and Pat Griffin and Jennifer and Jim Mates have provided great meals to keep the Camporee staff going as well as assisting with a multitude of other background tasks. Howard Hoffman and Nancy McCoy are also frequently seen behind the scenes helping out. We do appreciate you!

Coastal Cleanup

September 15 is the date to save for this year's Coastal Cleanup. What a great opportunity to help the environment and let Scouts be seen in action at the same time. Details will follow as to where to meet for this worthwhile event.